

Veterans Integrated Service Networks of the Veterans Health Administration, S. 633, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for coverage under the beneficiary travel program of the Department of Veterans Affairs of certain disabled veterans for travel in connection with certain special disabilities rehabilitation, S. 800, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to ensure that the South Texas Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care Center at Harlingen, located in Harlingen, Texas, includes a full-service inpatient health care facility of the Department of Veterans Affairs, to redesignate such center, S. 825, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of services for homeless veterans, S. 832, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out pilot programs on furnishing case management services and assisted living to children of Vietnam veterans and certain Korea service veterans born with spina bifida and children of women Vietnam veterans born with certain birth defects, S. 845, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Professionals Educational Assistance Program, S. 851, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend to all veterans with a serious service-con-

nected injury eligibility to participate in the family caregiver services program, S. 852, to improve health care furnished by the Department of Veterans Affairs by increasing access to complementary and alternative medicine and other approaches to wellness and preventive care, and S. 877, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to allow public access to research of the Department, after receiving testimony from Senator Landrieu; Robert L. Jesse, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Health, and Susan Blauert, Deputy Assistant General Counsel, both of the Department of Veterans Affairs; Richard F. Weidman, Vietnam Veterans of America, Silver Spring, Maryland; Wayne B. Jonas, Sameuli Institute, Alexandria, Virginia; Heather L. Ansley, VetsFirst, and Matt Gornick, National Coalition for Homeless Veterans, both of Washington, D.C.; and Thomas G. Bowman, Spring Hill, Florida.

## INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 47 public bills, H.R. 1900–1947; and 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 43; and H. Res. 210–211 were introduced.

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

**Chaplain:** The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Sister Jacquelyn Gusdane, SND, Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin School, Chardon, Ohio. **Page H2537**

**Journal:** The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by a yea-and-nay vote of 264 yeas to 140 nays with 1 answering "present", Roll No. 143.

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**Full Faith and Credit Act:** The House passed H.R. 807, to require that the Government prioritize all obligations on the debt held by the public in the event that the debt limit is reached, by a yea-and-nay vote of 221 yeas to 207 nays, Roll No. 142.

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Rejected the Maffei motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means with instruc-

tions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 200 yeas to 227 noes, Roll No. 141.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted.

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Agreed to:

Camp amendment (printed in H. Rept. 113–52) that clarifies the prohibition on compensation for Members of Congress and clarifies language to require that the Secretary report to Congress anytime the new authority is used (by a yea-and-nay vote of 340 yeas to 84 nays, Roll No. 140). **Pages H2546–51**

H. Res. 202, the rule providing for consideration of H.R. 807, was agreed to yesterday, May 8th.

**Meeting Hour:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, May 13th and that the order of the House of January 3, 2013 regarding morning hour debate not apply on that day.

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on pages H2554.

**Senate Referral:** S. 622 was held at the desk.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2550–51, H2552–53, H2553 and H2553–54. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 1:32 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### APPROPRIATIONS—AIR FORCE BUDGET

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on the Air Force Budget. Testimony was heard from Michael B. Donley, Secretary, United States Air Force; and General Mark A. Welsh III, Chief of Staff, USAF.

### ATOMIC ENERGY DEFENSE ACTIVITIES AND NUCLEAR FORCES PROGRAMS—FY2014 BUDGET REQUEST

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Strategic Forces held a hearing on Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Request for Atomic Energy Defense Activities and Nuclear Forces Programs. Testimony was heard from Madelyn Creedon, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Global Strategic Affairs, Office of the Secretary of Defense; J. Michael Gilmore, Director, Operational Test and Evaluation, Office of the Secretary of Defense; and Vice Admiral James D. Syring, USN, Director, Missile Defense Agency.

### AMERICAN ENERGY SECURITY AND INNOVATION

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing entitled “American Energy Security and Innovation: Grid Reliability Challenges in a Shifting Energy Resource Landscape”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### RESOLVING INTERNATIONAL PARENTAL CHILD ABDUCTIONS

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a hearing entitled “Resolving International Parental Child Abductions to Non-Hague Convention Countries”. Testimony was heard from Susan Jacobs, Special Advisor for Children’s Issues, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

### BOSTON BOMBINGS: A FIRST LOOK

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Boston Bombings: A First Look”. Testimony was heard from Joseph I. Lieber-

man, former Senator, Connecticut; Edward F. Davis III, Commissioner, Boston Police Department; Kurt N. Schwartz, Undersecretary, Executive Office of Public Safety and Security, Massachusetts; and public witnesses.

### LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation held a hearing on the following: H.R. 1825, to direct Federal public land management officials to exercise their authority under existing law to facilitate use of and access to Federal public lands for fishing, sport hunting, and recreational shooting, and for other purposes; H.R. 586, the “Denali National Park Improvement Act”; H.R. 995, the “Organ Mountains National Monument Establishment Act”; and H.R. 1411, the “California Coastal National Monument Expansion Act of 2013”. Testimony was heard from Representative Benishek; Representative Young (AK); Representative Huffman; Carl Rountree, Director, National Landscape Conservation System, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

### FEDERAL GOVERNMENT APPROACHES TO ISSUING BIOMETRIC IDS

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Government Operations held a hearing entitled “Federal Government Approaches to Issuing Biometric IDs”. Testimony was heard from Stephen Sadler, Assistant Administrator, Office of Intelligence and Analysis, TSA; Stephen A. Lord, Director, Forensic Audits and Investigations, GAO.

### PROCESSING FEDERAL WORKER PENSION CLAIMS

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, U.S. Postal Service, and the Census held a hearing entitled “Is OPM Processing Federal Worker Pension Claims on Time?”. Testimony was heard from Patrick McFarland, Inspector General, Office of Personnel Management; Kenneth Zawodny, Associate Director, Retirement Services, Office of Personnel Management; Valerie C. Melvin, Director, Information Management and Technology Resource Issues, GAO.

### EXOPLANET DISCOVERIES: HAVE WE FOUND OTHER EARTHS?

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Space; and Subcommittee on Research held a joint hearing entitled “Exoplanet Discoveries: Have We Found Other Earths?”. Testimony was heard from John M. Grunsfeld, M.D., Associate Administrator, Science Mission Directorate, NASA,